

**CHAPTER NO. 242**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 641**

**By Representative Maddox**

**Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 226**

**By Senator Person**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33 and Title 68, relative to support services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-216(b)(1), is amended by deleting the second sentence of that subsection and substituting the following language in its place:

Home care organizations authorized to provide only professional support services shall pay an annual fee of eight hundred dollars (\$800), except that this annual fee shall be two hundred dollars (\$200) for (i) home care organizations that also pay a fee to be licensed by the department of mental health and developmental disabilities; (ii) home care organizations owned and operated by therapists who pay a fee to be licensed under Title 63, Chapter 13 or Chapter 17; or (iii) home care organizations that are owned and controlled by another home care organization that pays an annual license fee of at least eight hundred dollars (\$800). This annual fee shall be paid to the department of health.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 33-2-402(3), is amended by deleting the words "therapy services" and "or direct therapy services" where they appear in that subsection.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: May 19, 2003**

  
JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

**APPROVED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2003**

  
PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR